

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

August 31, 1999

**FROM: THOMAS R. LAURIN, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**SUBJECT: SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY'S 1999-2000 CONSOLIDATED
PLAN - CDBG PROGRAM STRATEGIC PLAN AND ACTION PLAN**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) Conduct a public hearing to obtain the views of citizens and review proposed substantial amendments to the Strategic Plan and Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) portion of the County's 1999-2000 Consolidated Plan; and,
- 2) Amend any strategies, actions or proposed accomplishments identified in the Strategic Plan portion of the 1999-2000 Consolidated Plan that are affected by the amendments approved at this hearing; and,
- 3) Approve the following substantial amendments to the Action Plan for the CDBG portion of the County's 1999-2000 Consolidated Plan:
 - A) First District: Reprogram \$200,000 to the Joshua Tree Fire Engine Purchase Project (#229-25104/1900) from available funds in the Countywide Business Expansion Revolving Loan (BusEx) Fund (#020-08000/0407), and reimburse the BusEx fund using program income from the Affordable Housing Acquisition Program (#300-24044/1859).
 - B) First District: Establish a new CDBG project to provide youth recreation services by the Joshua Tree Kids' Club (#229-25127), using \$7,500 from the District's unprogrammed funds (#310-12129/0583).
 - C) Adelanto: Cancel the \$20,000 Hardy Avenue Fire Station Generator Project (#101-22604/1465) and the \$224,335 Adelanto Fire Station Construction Project (#101-22704/1636) as CDBG projects, and reprogram the project allocations to the city's unprogrammed funds (#101-00020/0400).
 - D) Barstow: Cancel the \$3,700 Portales Court Sidewalk Improvements Project (#102-19905/1072) and the \$18,553 Foglesong Park Playground Equipment Installation Project (#102-24302/1745) as CDBG projects, and reprogram the project allocations to the city's unprogrammed funds (#102-00020/0381).
 - E) Barstow: Cancel the \$10,890 Project Focus-Barstow At-Risk Youth Education and Recreation Program (#102-22427/1467) as a CDBG project, and reprogram \$3,890 of the project allocation to the city's unprogrammed funds (#102-00020/0381) and \$7,000 to the unprogrammed funds for the First District (#310-12129/0583).

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- F) Barstow: Cancel the \$10,890 Project Focus-Barstow At-Risk Youth Education and Recreation Program (#102-22427/1467) as a CDBG project, and reprogram \$3,890 of the project allocation to the city's unprogrammed funds (#102-00020/0381) and \$7,000 to the unprogrammed funds for the First District (#310-12129/0583).
- G) Needles: Cancel the city's \$18,000 Code Enforcement Program (#109-24117/1756) and reprogram the project allocation to the city's Curb and Gutter Replacement Project (#109-231051603).
- H) Third District: Cancel the \$12,000 Third District - County Cooperative Extension - Nutrition, Food Safety, 4-H Club and Gardening Education Program (#330-23327/1654) and reprogram the project allocation to unprogrammed funds for the Third District (#330-12129/0586).
- I) Third District: Establish a new CDBG-funded "Exploration Station" Educational Services Program (#330-25427) to be operated by the County Museum in Redlands, using \$56,335 from: 1) The \$14,107 Third District - Yucaipa Regional Park Activities Access Program (#330-20227/1263), 2) The \$31,228 Third District - County Museum Cultural Activities Access Program (#330-20327/1262), and 3) The \$11,000 Third District - Juvenile Hall Work Furlough Program (330-23727/1652) herein canceled as a CDBG project.
- J) Redlands: Establish a new CDBG project to make improvements at the Redlands YMCA child care facility on Lugonia Street (#111-25118) using \$5,000 from the Redlands YMCA Fire Sprinklers Project (#111-24102) herein cancelled as a CDBG project, \$14,000 from the city's unprogrammed funds (#111-00020), and \$14,000 from Third District unprogrammed funds (#330-12129/0586).
- K) Fourth District: Establish a new CDBG funded Graffiti Removal Program (#340-25127) to be carried out by the City of Chino in neighboring Fourth District unincorporated areas, using \$10,000 from Fourth District unprogrammed funds (#340-08129/0422).
- L) Fifth District: Cancel the Fifth District - Youth Mentoring Services "GRIP" Program (#350-21527/1440) as a CDBG project, and recognize the prior administrative transfer of the project's \$10,000 allocation to the Los Padrinos Youth Gang Intervention Program (#350-17127/0956).
- M) Fifth District: Cancel the \$40,000 Muscoy Modular Medical Clinic Project (#215-25122/1896) and reprogram the project's allocation, and an additional \$25,000 from Fifth District unprogrammed funds (#350-11129/0534), to the Muscoy Health Care Services Program (#215-25127/1897), to be provided by the North American Association for Service, Education and Relief.
- N) Multi-District: Cancel the \$31,547 Multi-District - County Cooperative Extension - Nutrition, Food Safety, 4-H Club and Gardening Education Program (#300-21127/1442) as a CDBG project and reprogram \$9,014 to unprogrammed funds for the Third District (#330-12129/0586), \$13,519 to unprogrammed funds for the Fourth District (#340-08129/0422), and \$9,014 to unprogrammed funds for the Fifth District (#350-11129/0534).
- O) Countywide: Revise the May 18, 1999 Substantial Amendment by reducing the allocation transferred to the new CDBG Neighborhood Initiative/Affordable Housing Acquisition Program (300-24044/1859), from the Countywide Business Expansion Revolving Loan Fund (#020-08000/0407) by \$1,000,000.

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- P) Countywide: Reprogram \$35,000 to the Countywide Small Business Technical Assistance Program (#023-08000/1820), to be carried out by the Inland Empire Small Business Development Center, from the Countywide Micro Enterprise Loan Program (#021-08000/1459).
- Q) Countywide: Reprogram \$170,000 to the Countywide Emerging Small Business Enterprise (ESBE) Job Creation Program (#300-20723/1151) from the Countywide Business Expansion Revolving Loan Fund (#020-08000/0407).
- R) Countywide: Reprogram \$251,690 to the Countywide Senior Housing Repair Program (#014-01015/0397) from the Countywide Business Expansion Revolving Loan Fund (#020-08000/0407), effective June 30, 1999.
- S) Countywide: Cancel the \$38,500 Mobile Home Housing Solutions (MHSH) - Education, Outreach, and Referral Services Program (#300-19627/1092) as a CDBG funded project, and reprogram \$7,000 to City of Highland Unprogrammed Funds (#118-00020/1297), \$3,000 to City of Montclair Unprogrammed Funds (#108-00020/0387), \$2,500 to unprogrammed funds for the First District (#310-12129/0583), \$5,000 to unprogrammed funds for the Second District (#320-13129/0665), \$11,000 to unprogrammed funds for the Fourth District (#340-08129/0422), and \$10,000 to unprogrammed funds for the Fifth District (#350-11129/0534).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The proposed substantial amendments have come about as a result of changing priorities for meeting the community development needs of San Bernardino County. Allocations transferred to unprogrammed funds accounts will be available for future reprogramming to eligible CDBG projects in the designated communities. The specific reasons for each proposed amendment are as follows:

- 3A) This action will add sufficient funding to complete the purchase of a fire engine needed for fire protection in the low-and moderate-income community of Joshua Tree. Originally, the project was established as a lease/purchase over a four (4) year term. The additional funds are being advanced to this project. The countywide funding source will be reimbursed using program income from the resale of rehabilitated homes under the Neighborhood Initiative (NI) Program. The First District's share of the program income will be reduced by this action as well as the actions of May 18, 1999.
- 3B) These CDBG funds will augment private funds raised by the Joshua Tree Kids' Club for providing after school recreation activities for children and youths from low-and moderate-income families who reside in Joshua Tree.
- 3C) The City of Adelanto has requested this action. The fire station generator project and the fire station construction project are no longer identified as a priority need by the city due to current fire services provided by the County. At this time the city wants to set aside the CDBG funds for a future project.
- 3D) The City of Barstow has requested this action. The original scope of the project to construct sidewalks, is insufficient to resolve the drainage problems affecting the area. The project funding is insufficient to complete the required work. The playground equipment project will not comply the requirements of the CDBG program because its primary service area has fewer than the 51% low-and moderate-income residents.

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- 3E) The City of Barstow has requested this action. The agency responsible for providing the At-Risk Youth Education and Recreation Program, Project Focus-Barstow, Inc., was unable to obtain the required liability insurance to provide the service.
- 3F) The City of Needles has requested this action. The city found that the CDBG funds will better serve the community if used to augment funding for sidewalk construction in the target area. The city will use other funding for its Code Enforcement program.
- 3G) The County Cooperative Extension/University of California has requested this action. The agency has determined that it is unable to continue providing the Third District youth nutrition and education service under the HUD requirements of the CDBG program.
- 3H) The County Department of Community and Cultural Resources (CCR) has requested this action. CCR has proposed to modify its CDBG funded Museum program to provide a guided experience with live animals and natural history to low and moderate income families. CCR's proposal will use the remaining CDBG funds in the regional park access program, the County Museum cultural activities access program and in the work furlough program. CCR has determined that it can not complete these programs as originally funded.
- 3I) The City of Redlands has requested this action. Both Redlands and the Redlands YMCA, have found that there is a greater need for the construction of improvements at the YMCA's child care facility on Lugonia Avenue. Also, both have requested a match from the County in order to provide sufficient funds to complete the improvements.
- 3J) The need has arisen for reducing the impact of increased incidents of graffiti in unincorporated areas in the Fourth District. Under this graffiti abatement program, the City of Chino will use city employees to remove graffiti in unincorporated areas within its sphere of influence.
- 3K) The "GRIP" program has become inactive as a CDBG activity. Los Padrinos Inc, a youth services agency, can provide similar youth mentoring services through the graffiti abatement component of its CDBG funded Youth Gang Intervention Program.
- 3L) The North American Association for Service, Education and Relief has requested that the CDBG funds originally allocated for the installation of modular office units for their medical clinic project in Muscoy, be added to their CDBG funded medical clinic services program in Muscoy. The agency has obtained other non-CDBG funds for the modular medical clinic project.
- 3M) The County Cooperative Extension/University of California has requested this action. The agency has determined that it is unable to continue providing the Multi-District youth nutrition and education service under the HUD requirements of the CDBG program.
- 3N) On May 18, 1999, the Board of Supervisors approved an amendment to the CDBG Plan to reprogram \$4,000,000 from the Countywide Business Expansion Revolving Loan Fund to a new housing acquisition project under the Neighborhood Initiative (NI) Program. The purpose of the project is to purchase repossessed HUD homes for rehabilitation and resale to qualifying households. Since that time, it has been determined, that \$3,000,000 will provide sufficient funding to purchase the homes that are available from FHA. These funds will augment funding from Fannie Mae and NI Program funds. The May 18, 1999 action further provided for returning the proceeds generated from resale of the homes up to the amount transferred, to the five (5) new Affordable Housing Acquisition Programs established for each District. The returned proceeds will be divided evenly among the five (5) Districts. For the First District, the proceeds will be reduced by the fund advancement in item A and as approved on May 18, 1999.

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- 3O) This action will provide the CDBG funds needed to continue the implementation of the Countywide Small Business Technical Assistance Program by the Inland Empire Small Business Development Center through fiscal year 1999–2000.
- 3P) This action will provide the CDBG funds that are needed to implementation of the Countywide Emerging Small Business Enterprise (ESBE) Job Creation Program by the County Office of Small Business Development though December 2000 and as a match for additional SBA funding.
- 3Q) This action will provide the CDBG funds needed to meet increased demand for moderate repairs to homes owned and occupied by senior citizens and disabled persons through June 30, 1999.
- 2R) On June 9, 1999 the Board of Directors of Mobile Home Housing Solutions voted to voluntarily dissolve their organization. The dissolution became effective 30 days following this action. This action reprograms the \$38,500 of 1999-2000 CDBG funds to the jurisdictions that contributed to this allocation, for future reprogramming to eligible CDBG projects.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: The Cities of Adelanto, Barstow, Highland, Montclair, Needles, Redlands and Yucaipa have approved the actions affecting their jurisdictions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The proposed substantial amendments to the 1999-2000 Consolidated Plan involve CDBG funds only, and will not affect the County General Fund.

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SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): All.

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